



Please join me in extending a warm welcome to our new Executive Director, Eric Page. He will transition to his new role at the Authority on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Many of you may recognize this name, as he has been working with JCUA since 2012 through Neel-Shaffer, Inc.

Eric is currently the office manager for Neel-Shaffer in Pascagoula. He also serves as the Engineering Manager for the South Mississippi areas with over five offices. He has primarily served as Neel-Shaffer's South MS water and wastewater expert, working on projects involving water supply wells, elevated and ground storage tanks, water distribution systems and treatment, wastewater treatment, wastewater pumping stations and force mains, gravity wastewater collection, and wastewater lagoon closures. He has been a familiar face at JCUA for over 7 years since he came back to the Coast and took over the Pascagoula office for Neel-Schaffer.

Eric has over 20 years engineering experience and has split his career between working here on the Gulf Coast and in the Pine Belt area. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Mississippi State University, as well as an Associate of Science in Pre-Engineering from the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College (Jackson County Campus). He received his Mississippi PE license (Professional Engineer) in 2003. He is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the American Public Works Association (APWA), and is a graduate of the Jackson County Economic Development Foundation, Leadership Jackson County Class of 2014.

Eric and his wife, Beth, live in Ocean Springs with their six children, and are active members in their church, Belle Fountain Baptist Church.